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Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C.

Re:

Proceeding 17-108 Internet Neutrality

Dear Sirs and Madams:

Please maintain the rules currently in place governing "net neutrality." The ratification of Chairman Pai's proposal to eliminate these rules (or "place the current scheme on a 'different legal footing'") shall remove the protections now afforded to consumers and lead to the elimination of fair competition within the realm of internet commerce.

There is no factual basis to support Chairman Pai's conclusion that the current rules (under Title II, Communications Act of 1934) have led to a decline in investment in network infrastructure, and we, the American citizens, are strenuously opposed to the elimination of the current rules protecting net neutrality. Allowing big broadband interests to impose a chilling effect on free and open competition by catering to the deepest corporate wallets will unfairly impact small business owners and start-ups and ultimately serve to support a corporate environment that fosters a further loss of America's middle class and the acceleration of the ever declining American standard of living.

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